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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Under act of Congress and by appointment of President Roosevelt, Gen. Luke E. Wright has become Governor General of the Philippines. —— The large British steamer Demara foundered yesterday on the Nova Scotia coast; 18 of the crew reached shore, but it is feared that the captain and another boat load of crew and passengers have been lost. —— At Washington yesterday the House of Representatives discussed the government regulation of railroads; Democrats claim credit for forcing the issue and Bryan was thrown up to Republicans as the pioneer. —— The census bureau ginners' report indicates a bumper cotton crop of 12,913,812 bales against 9,849,277 bales the previous year. —— Revival of reports from Europe concerning proposals of peace between Japan and Russia cause official announcement at Washington that the United States will insist on the absolute integrity of China and distinctly the open door for trade. —— In New York yesterday Mrs. Brodie L. Duke was discharged, as the Texas authorities did not want her; her partner, Charles F. Taylor, is under arrest at Chicago. —— The strike situation in Russia continues grave, with frequent loss of life in different cities. —— August W. Machen and the two Groff brothers, convicted of grafting in the Postoffice Department, were sent yesterday to the penitentiary to serve terms of two years. —— New York markets: Money on call was steady at 1½ per cent; cotton market was quiet at 7.80c.; flour was steady; wheat, spot firm No. 2 red $1.12½, f. o. b. afloat; corn, spot steady; No. 2 84½c; oats, spot steady, mixed 26@33 pounds, 36½@37c; rosin quiet; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 7.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 31; 8 P. M., 38 degrees; maximum, 45 degrees; minimum 31 degrees; mean 38 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since first of the month to date, 1.40 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., to-day 6.8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, February 7.—For North Carolina: Rain Wednesday and Thursday; fresh northeast winds, becoming southeast.

Port Almanac—February 8,

Sun Rises	6.56 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.33 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 37 M.
High Water at Southport	10.39 P. M.
High Water at Wilmington	1.09 A. M.

The ground hog saw the shadows of the plumber's big stick and scurried back into his hole.

The government is disposed to issue $10,000 bills if there is any use for them. Might issue us a hundred of them and see how useful we can make them in the way of an experiment to begin with.

President Roosevelt is threatening to put some of the Beef Trust magnates in jail. Please nab the one who fixes the price and keep him in solitary confinement till we can overcome our household deficit.

Lest we forget, the Baltimore Sun reminds us: "Some one in Boston is proposing to erect an equestrian statue of Benjamin Butler. A one-eyed equestrian statue having a silver spoon would be a sight for the gods."

Cotton seems to be doing a little better now. The bulls and the boll weevil have been recruited by arctic weather and sleet all over the country. The bears and the government statistics are suffering from cold feet just now.

A hello girl employed in the central station of a Northern telephone company got a verdict for breach of promise of marriage against a man who made love to her over the long distance wires. After he pays the judgment of $50,000 he will know what kind of messages cost most.

When it comes to finding Judge Swayne guilty for charging Uncle Sam $10 a day for expenses that don't run over $3 to $4 a day, some of the Senators will have a fellow-feeling for the judge. They have given us a good imitation of a fellow feeling in Uncle Sam's pockets.

"Women are seldom good at mathematics," says some college professor. Still some of them can multiply troubles for men, as in the Chadwick and Duke cases, you know. There's hardly one of them that does not know how to look out for Number One.

It is rather a curious coincidence that Mr. D. L. Shore, of Winston, has entered suit for damages against Winston for diverting a stream of water which supplies his mill. What would a seashore be without water? The Winston authorities ought to see Shore and assure him that he shall not be left high and dry.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Academy—"In Idaho."
Notice—Haymakers' ball.
J. M. Hall & Bro.—Emulsion.
Platt & Haar—Peerless patterns.
T. D. Love & Co.—Jack of all trades.
A. G Ahrens—No chance of miss'g it.
N. C. Home B. A.—Annual report.
North British and Mercantile Ins. Co.—Statement.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Position as clerk.
Wanted—Lady or gentlemen.
Young Man—Position wanted.
Notice—Ninety minutes of laughter.

THE PILOTAGE BILL.

Discussion Deferred Yesterday for Joint Meeting of Committees This Afternoon.

THE SESSIONS YESTERDAY.

Bill of Interest to Railroads Advocated by Col. Geo. L. Morton—Liquor Traffic Committee Refuses to Report Favorably Advance Bill.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 7.—Discussion of the Wilmington Pilotage bill before the House committee did not take place this afternoon, being postponed until to-morrow, when there will be a joint hearing by the House and Senate committees.

Senator Empie to-day introduced a duplicate of the bill in the Senate and the Senate committee now has this in hand and in that way it is possible to have the whole committee assembled to-morrow afternoon with delegations for and against the bill present with counsel. Representative Boney began his speech in advocacy of the bill this afternoon, when a motion prevailed that the hearing be postponed until to-morrow for a joint session. A large number of citizens are already here for the hearing and another delegation is expected to arrive to-night in advocacy of the bill.

Col. Geo. L. Morton, of Wilmington, appeared before the Senate Judiciary Committee this afternoon and advocated a bill introduced by Mr. Empie to-day, providing punishment for the stealing of oil waste and packing from the journals of engines and cars and the committee decided to report the bill favorably.

Unfavorable report was decided on for the bill to repeal Chapter 181, Laws of 1901, providing that the State defend registrars and others when arrested in the Federal courts.

The House Committee on Liquor Traffic this afternoon gave a lengthy hearing to the opponents and advocates of the bill to provide prohibition for the town of Advance, Davie county, and decided by a vote of 13 to 14 to report it unfavorably. The meeting was in the Representatives' hall which was well filled with spectators. Much time was devoted to the examination and cross-examination of witnesses and citizens of Advance. The unfavorable report is regarded as a decided victory for conservative legislation as against extreme temperance advocates who until now have been considered dominant on the liquor traffic committee.

Legislative Proceedings.

There was little of interest in either branch of the General Assembly to-day. The Senate was opened with prayer by Dr. Tyree and the House by Rev. Mr. Bishop, of the Central Methodist church.

One bill which passed the House this morning, which was of some interest on account of the unusual situation, was the bill abolishing the dispensary at Seaboard, in Northampton county. Mr. Joyner, of that county, in explaining, said all the people were in favor of the bill, and that the institution was about to die a natural death, as the managers had all resigned and no one seemed to want to run it, and therefore it was becoming a white elephant on their hands. He said the principal of the school which was the main beneficiary of the dispensary desired it abolished, and with this explanation the bill quickly passed. The House also passed a long list of other bills, all of which were of a local nature.

A message was received from Gov. R. B. Glenn, in which he emphasized the need of abundant fire protection at the State hospitals and schools for the deaf and the blind and commending the report of the State insurance commissioner. The Governor sent a second message in which he advocated a State bureau of immigration, a proper exhibit at the Jamestown exposition, suggested a State purchasing agent to buy supplies at wholesale for all State institutions, urged the repeal of the present tax divorce laws, the enactment of a stringent vagrant law, the reform of the jury system giving the State five peremptory challenges and the defence ten, no side having the right to stand a juror at the foot of the panel. In closing the Governor again urged increasing the salaries of the judges.

In the Senate the railroad commission bill, enlarging that body's power, was tabled. The House bill by Murphy, of Buncombe, allowing firemen and policemen to ride free on street cars was likewise tabled. Mr. Empie introduced the Wilmington pilotage bill; another to prevent removal of oil waste from journal boxes of railroad cars, and still another to incorporate Southport and Northwestern railroad. Other bills were: By Everett, to incorporate Pee Dee Valley railroad, relating to stock law in Richmond and Scotland counties and to incorporate town of Uwharrie; by Sinclair, to regulate overcharge and damage in transportation of freight.

Bills passed permitting illegitimate children to inherit from their mother; to provide short form of crop lien for Scotland, Davidson, Franklin and Northampton; to exempt miners from road duty in Columbus; to amend the charter of Pembroke; to prohibit nuisances in Cross Creek township, Cumberland county; to settle the claim of Mrs. Florence P. Tucker, administrator.

In the House petitions were presented from physicians in Pitt, protesting against incorporation of osteopathetic society; from merchants in Lumberton, asking for repeal of merchants' license; from merchants of McDowell, asking better collection laws.

The judiciary committee reported the various divorce bills unfavorably and submitted a substitute bill, which they recommended. Mr. McNinch gave notice that a minority report would be submitted on the various divorce bills, and therefore he moved to make all the bills relating to divorce made the special order for Tuesday, February 9th, at 11 o'clock.

Bills introduced and passed third reading were exclusively local.

—Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McKenzie, of New York, arrived last night and are guests at The Orion.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Services at First church of Christ, Scientist, this evening at 8 o'clock, Odd Fellows' building, second floor. All are invited.

— Schooner "Elizabeth T. Doyle" arrived yesterday from Norfolk with cargo of coal for the Cape Fear Fisheries, at Old Brunswick.

— Schooners "Crescent" and "Wm. Booth," which have been discharging cargoes of fertilizers here, cleared yesterday, light, for Georgetown and Port Royal, S. C., respectively.

— The explosion of a small oil stove on the wharf last night, near Water and Princess, had the Chemical engine of the Fire Department ready to move upon an instant's notice, but the stove was thrown in the street and soon burned itself out.

— Arthur Davis, alias Sumter Davis, colored, was bound over to the April 3rd term of Superior Court yesterday by Justice Fowler to answer the charge of stealing lap robes from the City Livery Co. He couldn't give $50 bond and went to jail.

— The New York cotton future market yesterday was off a few points, but spots were higher, being quoted quiet at 7.80 for middling. The local market is unchanged, with receipts yesterday of 358 bales, against 375 same day last year.

— The STAR is in receipt of a copy of the 1905 seed catalogue of Messrs. T. W. Wood & Sons, the reliable seed growers and merchants of Richmond, Va. The catalogue is replete with useful information for the grower and should be in the hands of every farmer and gardener.

— Mr. W. A. Lineker and wife have sold to Mr. Thos. Brewer Oldham and wife, for $1,045, nineteen and one-tenth acres of land in Cape Fear township, on the Castle Haynes road, lying along the right of way of the Wilmington and Weldon railroad.

— The Health Department yesterday quarantined for smallpox Cornelius Johnson, colored, 926 South Eighth street, and Bert Hill, colored, 1119 Swann's alley. A negro named Wood, employed at the Clyde Line docks, was sent to the detention camp as a suspect.

— The Haymakers, the social organization of the Improved Order of Red Men, will give a ball to-night in Germania Hall. The committee is composed of Messrs. L. E. Snipes, H. L. Horne, H. Steljes, E. P. Cunningham, J. W. Dawson and F. K. J. Fuchs.

— Lieut. Hatch conducted the regular weekly drill of the W. L. I. last night in the absence of Capt. Robertson, who is in Raleigh with the business men's committee seeking pilotage legislation. About 25 members of the company have already arranged to take the inauguration trip on March 4th. The number is expected to reach 50 before that date.

HURRYING TO THE SCENE.

Business Men Hasten to Raleigh to Appear in Pilotage Matter.

Another large delegation of Wilmington business men headed by Col. Walker Taylor, Maj. William F. Robertson, Messrs. Hugh MacRae, George Harriss and others, left last night for Raleigh to appear with the other Wilmingtonians already there before the Senate Committee to-day in advocacy of the Chamber of Commerce bill, providing remedial pilotage legislation for the port. Messrs. J. A. Arringdale, R. A. Parsley, J. A. Taylor, A. B. Skeiding and other prominent business men were heard yesterday by the House Committee and the bill goes to day before the Senate Committee. The fight promises to be bitter and protracted, as the pilots are also represented at Raleigh by a strong delegation and some able attorneys among whom are Messrs. Herbert McClammy and J. O. Carr, of this city.

An Anchorage Basin.

The U. S. government dredge "Ajax," having completed the dredging upon Lilliput shoals, opposite Orton plantation, down the river, has moved up to the harbor here, and is now engaged in deepening the river, opposite Nun street, to give a swinging anchorage to vessels of a large depth, which may come up for dockage, or have occasion to lay at anchor before proceeding with cargoes. The work is an important one and shippers will be glad to know that the "Ajax" will continue for some time.

Sad Death of a Child.

Friends of Mr. S. L. P. Anderson, a popular young employe of the Atlantic Coast Line, will deeply sympathize with him in the death of his only daughter, Pearl Lee, aged two months and 27 days, which occurred at the residence of her father, No. 912 North Sixth street, yesterday at noon, of marasmus. Only a short time ago the young mother and wife died, and now the child is taken, making the case a sad one indeed. The remains of the child, accompanied by the deeply bereaved father, were taken last night to Richmond, Va., for interment.

Rev. Harold Thomas Here To-day.

Rev. Harold Thomas, the newly elected assistant rector of Saint James' parish and minister in charge of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd, will arrive to-day from Florence, accompanied by Mrs. Thomas and two children. Rev. Mr. Thomas and family will reside in Capt. John H. Hanby's residence, on the east side of South Sixth street, between Dock and Orange. Wilmington has a warm welcome for both him and his excellent family.

ROAD TO SOUTHPORT.

Waccamaw Land and Lumber Company Behind Important Project in This Section.

BILL IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Charter Line to be Run from Deep Water to Whiteville and Ultimately to Sanford, Connecting With Seaboard and Atlantic Coast Line.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 7.—Senator Brooke G. Empie, of New Hanover, introduced in the Senate to-day a bill to incorporate the Southport and Northwestern Railroad Company. The bill was introduced at the request of Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, attorney, who says it authorizes the building of a railroad from Southport to Whiteville or Bolton, thence possibly making connection with the A. C. L. and Seaboard at Sanford. The incorporators are F. W. Wheeler, Collen E. Clark and E. H. Silliman, all of the Waccamaw Land and Lumber Co., a million dollar corporation, which recently purchased the Chadbourn mill in Willmington and acquired the vast area of land, known as the "Green Swamp" property in Columbus and Brunswick counties. Five and one-half miles of the new railroad have already been graded. It will be used and developed at first as a lumber road.

COLD RECEPTION IT WAS.

Frigidity of Atmosphere Detracted from What Otherwise Might Have Been Successful Production.

Mr. Charles Dickson and company, presenting the new comedy satire, "The Simple Life," appeared to eminent disadvantage at the Academy of Music last night. The house was as cold as an ice box; the people on the stage, largely with indoor costumes, were shivering and their teeth chattered as they spoke their lines while the audience, composed of many ladies, was in no humor to appreciate what was being said and done behind the footlights. Under ordinary circumstances, one might judge the piece would be good, but there was no manner or means of arriving at that conclusion last night. The situation was really serious and the responsibility should be fixed.

Inquiry from the theatre management elicited the information that the fault did not lie with them. Fires had been started in the furnace of the heating plant as early as 2:30 o'clock and nearly a ton of coal was burned in a vain endeavor to get steam through the pipes. The radiators remained as cold as an iceberg. The fault perhaps lay in the fact that a new smokestack is being built to the heating plant and in its incomplete condition it would not draw last night. Chairman Murrell, of the Public Building Committee of the city, was present and did what he could to locate the trouble and remedy it, but it was too late at that hour and nothing could be done.

The STAR is asked by the management to state that while the cold was rather severe, for which, however, they were not responsible, it was rather unbecoming in some of the ladies to refuse to remove their hats, thereby making it very disagreeable for those behind them and adding further trouble to troubles, which they were already too busy attempting to remedy.

VALUABLE BUILDING LOT.

Mrs. P. L. Bridgers Acquires Property at Southwest Corner of Third and Dock.

Through the real estate agency of Mr. James Owen Reilly, the sale of that valuable building lot at southwest corner of Third and Dock streets, has been consummated, the purchaser being Mrs. Preston L. Bridgers and the consideration having been $10,000. The property was owned by the Catholic church. It fronts 120 feet on Third and 101 feet on Dock street. It is learned that Mrs. Bridgers will have erected on the lot a very handsome residence and that work upon the same will begin in a few weeks. Although in the residential section of the city, the property brought nearly $100 per lineal foot front and real estate authorities are of the opinion that the property was a bargain even at those figures. The deed for the transfer of the property is expected to be filed for record in a few days.

By deed, of date June 29th, 1886, filed for record yesterday, the Rt. Rev. Harry Pinckney Northrop, of Charleston, S. C., formerly vicar apostolic of North Carolina, of the Roman Catholic church, transferred to Rt. Rev. Leo Haid, O. S. B., vicar apostolic of North Carolina, for $10 and other considerations, all the property and estate at that time belonging to the Rt. Rev. H. P. Northrop, in North Carolina, save two certain tracts with buildings, thereon in the city of Asheville, which are otherwise transferred. The recording of the deed yesterday is to clear the title for the sale above described.

Mr. Douglas Leftwich,

Mr. Douglas Leftwich, the Southern impersonator, singer and dialect reader and story teller, will appear in the lecture room of the First Baptist church, this city, under the auspices of the H. H. Bible Class, on Thursday evening of this week. Mr. Leftwich comes with the highest endorsement of the press and public. He numbers among his personal friends and endorsers Dr. W. W. Landrum, of Atlanta; Polk Miller, of Richmond, and others equally as well known. His engagement here will be a success.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. J. K. Morrisey, of Clinton, arrived last night.

—Mr. J. J. Matheson, of Bennettsville, S. C., is a guest at The Orion.

— Among yesterday's arrivals was Mr. W. H. Stone Jr., of Little River, S. C.

— Col. and Mrs. W. J. Cotton have gone to New York to spend some time.

— Capt. Alfred A. Starbird, U. S. A., of Fort Caswell, is a guest at The Orion.

— Dr. J. Harry Honnet has gone to New York on a business and pleasure trip.

— Mr. J. M. Solky is in New York buying his Spring and Summer stock of clothing.

— Friends of Capt. T. O. Bunting Jr., will regret to know that he is confined to his home by illness.

— Miss Lotta Smith, of Smyrna, Del., is the guest of her uncle, Mr. J. P. Goldsborough, of the Colonial Inn.

— Mrs. A. Shrier left yesterday on a visit to Richmond. Later she will go to Baltimore, New York and Canada.

— The many friends in this city of Mrs. John Banners Gibbie will be sorry to learn of her serious illness with pneumonia, at her home in Butte, Montana.

— Among yesterday's arrivals was Capt. W. B. Denham, of Savannah, the newly elected first assistant to Fourth Vice President and General Manager Jno. R. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line.

— Greensboro Record: "Mr. Jeff D. Sessoms, a successful business man of Stedman, Cumberland county, is building a modern eleven room residence on South Mendenhall street, this city, and will move his family here this Spring."

— Mr. G. Evans, managing editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, is the guest of Capt. W. O. Chichester, of the Clyde Liner "Carib," which arrived in port yesterday from New York. Mr. Evans is taking the trip down the coast with Capt. Chichester and it is unnecessary to say that he is enjoying every minute of the time.

BENEVOLENT ORDER OF BUFFALOS.

Herd to be Organized in Wilmington Next Tuesday Night—Those Interested.

Past Grand Senior Bison Robt. E. Gregg, of Roanoke, Va., who has been in the city for several days, has about completed the charter list for the Junior Herd of the Benevolent Order of Buffalos, which will be established in this city next Tuesday night in Germania lodge rooms, on South Front street. This will be a preliminary meeting for balloting upon applicants and to nominate officers. On Wednesday night the installation will take place with the initiation of members and a banquet.

The charter list thus far includes the following among Wilmington's most representative people: Dr. Thos. M. Green, W. B. Bishop, J. G. Littig, J. A. Karr, R. L. Burton, P. D. Jenkins, T. A. Shepard, Jas. E. Holton, W. E. Gordon, W. B. Savage, E. F. Banck, J. E. Bunting, Jno. H. Craig, C. S. Southerland, W. H. Cox, W. B. Schuler, Frank E. Shepard, J. W. Daniel, C. M. Kelly, T. J. McInerny, J. N. Bennett, R. S. Vaughn, W. S. Morris, H. Z. Clow, H. J. Pate, J. E. Cowell, M. W. Shockley, J. H. McFarland, W. G. Hatch, W. S. Peterson, S. K. DeVaney, G. T. Williams, J. S. Horton, E. J. Howard, J. H. Meier, W. F. Stoller, J. E. Warmack, Chas. H. Daniel, Geo. W. Mote, C. H. Birdsall, A. R. Durham and J. M. Murphy.

POLICE CIRCLES YESTERDAY.

Only Two Before Mayor—Several Matters Postponed—Dance Hall Closed.

The police court yesterday developed nothing of interest. Albert Nelson, who had hardly had time to get out of court Monday before he was drunk and down again, was called out and failing in his appearance, his bond was forfeited. Edgar Jones, an unfortunate white man, who got top-heavy for his first time Monday night, was fined $5 and costs and admonished not to "come again."

Arthur Beatty, the negro found Sunday morning almost frozen to death, across the sidewalk, near Eighth and Wooster, has been discharged from the hospital, but he was unable to be in court yesterday and his case was continued until to-day.

Henry Holly and Luther Monroe, negroes, implicated in the general disorder at Samaritan Hall Monday night, were also held over until to-day. The negro who shot the boy Ed. Garrason, has not yet been apprehended. As the result of the disorder at the hall Monday night, Mayor Springer yesterday ordered the place closed. He has had several complaints from that quarter lately and proposes to put a stop to the carousing that has been going on there.

Funeral of Young Miss Farrow.

The funeral of Miss Willie Dudley Farrow, the young daughter of Mrs. Augusta Farrow, who passed away Monday, was conducted from the residence on North Sixth street yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, the Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrews' Presbyterian church, officiating. A large number of friends attended the ceremony and the floral offerings were pretty indeed. The remains were laid to rest in Oakdale, the pallbearers having been Messrs. F. W. Dock, J. Farrar, A. L. Kelley, B. D. Morrill and Fred Riencken.

FRIENDS OF SEAMEN.

Fifty-second Annual Meeting of the Wilmington Society Held Yesterday Afternoon.

THE USUAL ANNUAL REPORTS.

Re-election of Officers for Ensuing Year. Detailed Report of Services Held and Persons Visiting Reading Room at the Home—Other Notes.

Interesting and comprehensive reports showing an increased usefulness of the institution, the election of officers and the appointment of committees for the ensuing year were the leading features of the 52nd annual meeting of the Seamen's Friend Society held yesterday afternoon in the reading rooms of the Seamen's Home, at the southwest corner of Front and Dock streets. Col. W. J. Woodward presided at the meeting and Mr. J. Hunter Wood, the secretary, kept a record of the proceedings. The chaplain, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., opened the proceedings with a prayer. Annual reports were first submitted in their order as follows:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Members of the Seamen's Friend Society of the Port of Wilmington N. C.:

Fifty-two years have passed since the organization of this Society. During these many years thousands of sailors have been made comfortable and happy by attending our services and visiting our reading rooms, or as boarders at our Home.

The various committees have done good work, and all officers have faithfully and conscientiously performed the duties of their respective positions. The Secretary and Treasurer will present his report, which will show good results. The Chaplain will also give you an interesting account of his work. To these two officials I desire to express my most grateful thanks for their untiring and unselfish labors of love.

It is very gratifying to be able to say that our work and the influence exercised for the good of the seamen is not without fruit. While we may not be able to know immediately the extent of the moral and spiritual good we are exerting and the evil we avert, the thinking and intelligent men among the sailors, coming from almost every seaport, express their convictions that what we strive to do represents all which the name of our society implies.

The music for services at the Bethel has been supplied by the committee on religious exercises. We feel that the musical part of the Seamen's Bethel is a very important one, in fact we realize that music will draw the sailors into services when they might otherwise stay outside, and if every one who is connected with the Society realized this, they would gladly help to make this part of the work still more successful than it has been in the past. Our organist and soprano are indeed faithful. Sailors are fond of music, and who can tell how much good results from "singing the Gospel?"

I wish, on behalf of this society, to thank our parent Society, the American Seamen's Friend Society, of New York, for their continued, generous support; the ministers, of the various denominations, for their kindness and support in aiding at our Bethel Services; also to thank the press for the many courtesies extended during the past year.

Just what has been accomplished spiritually during the year that is past, is know only to the great Pilot above; the earnest sermons, and devout prayers for sailors at sea and on land, must have availed much.

Thanking you most cordially for the confidence you have placed in me for so many years, and praying that our Heavenly Father may continue to bless the work in the future as He has in the past, I remain, very sincerely yours,

W. J. WOODWARD, President.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance last report	$ 2,487.96
Receipts during year	1,584.75
Total	3,973 71
Disbursements	1,198.26
Balance	$ 2,774.75

CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 7, 1905.

Your chaplain would respectfully report that during the past year religious services have been held each Sabbath afternoon at three o'clock by some one of the resident Protestant ministers or a visiting minister. These services have been better attended than in several years until just before the holidays, since which the number of vessels in port has been less than usual at this time of the year.

Your chaplain has regularly visited the vessels in port, and has put himself at the service of the officers and men, held conversations with them and invited them to attend the services and to make use of the reading room at the Seamen's Home. He also holds himself in readiness to do all in his power for seamen and to aid other fellow workmen in this cause. He generally preaches alternately with other ministers so as to keep in full acquaintance with the work.

Respectfully submitted,
A. D. MCCLURE, Chaplain.

THE READING ROOM.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 7th, 1905.

The undersigned Chairman of the Seaman's Friend Society Committee for the management of the Library and Reading-room, has to report that the room has been open regularly every day throughout the year and that services have been held, as is customary, at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoons.

We regret to report that we have heard some rumors of complaint that deserters and otherwise undesirable persons have been admitted to the reading-room and to the Home, and that the conduct of our Superintendent has not been altogether satisfactory. It is hoped however that the Trustees may devise some means of correcting any errors on the part of the Superintendent and of stopping irregularities with reference to the use of the reading room and the Home.

We would respectfully suggest that a Committee composed of two or more commercial members of the Society be appointed by the President who shall be authorized and empowered to accept or reject any applications for accommodations at the Home and that the Superintendent shall be required to report each application to a member of this Committee, who will determine whether the case is worthy or otherwise. It is the desire of this Committee that every lawful means be used for the exclusion of deserters from ships in port, the object of this Society being to protect the commercial interests of Wilmington and at the same time to protect the sailors from immorality and vice which are so closely connected with cases of desertion which have come under our notice. JAMES PRICE, Chairman.

LIBRARIANS REPORT.

The following records of visits to the Bethel Reading Room and Home for the year is as follows:

1904.	Seamen	Citizens	Total.
February	248	34	282
March	248	46	294
April	208	51	259
May	198	77	275
June	224	48	272
July	384	74	458
August	523	53	576
September	2630	43	2673
October	1714	58	1772
November	409	55	464
December	702	44	746
1905.			
January	404	55	459
February 5th	38	6	44
Total	7,990	644	8,573

Other Business.

The following named gentlemen were elected trustees to serve until next annual meeting: James Sprunt, James I. Metts, W. J. Woodward Rev. R. W. Hogue, Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., T. E. Sprunt, James McDougall, N. Jacobi, Jas. Price, Rev. A. McCullen, Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., E. D. Williams, Swift Empie, W. G. McRae, D. L. Gore, J. C. Stewart and Rev. N. M. Watson.

The thanks of the society were given to the Seamen's Friend Society, of New York, and to the daily papers of the city. The meeting of the society then adjourned.

Meeting of Trustees.

The Board of Trustees was called to order with Rev. Dr. McClure in the chair and Mr. J. Hunter Wood secretary.

The president, Col. W. J. Woodward, Vice President, James Price, Esq., and Secretary and Treasurer, J. Hunter Wood, were re-elected. Rev. Dr. McClure, Gen. James I. Metts and Mr. James Sprunt were elected to constitute the Executive Committee with the president, vice president and secretary. The following committees were appointed:

Rents and Repairs—Gen. James I. Metts, Capt. W. G. McRae and Mr. T. E. Sprunt.

Public Worship—Col. W. J. Woodward, Gen. J. I. Metts and Mr. J. Hunter Wood.

Reading Room—James Price, Esq., Mr. James Sprunt and Capt. E. D. Williams.

Seamen's Home—Mr. Jas. Sprunt and Mr. N. Jacobi.

Auditing Committee—Mr. N. Jacobi and Mr. Swift Empie.

Building Committee—The Executive Committee.

Rev. Dr. Dr. A. D. McClure was elected chaplain; Miss Anna Sprunt, organist, and Miss Carrie White, soprano. There being no further business, the Board then adjourned.

RETURN OF THE LYRIC STOCK CO.

Five-Night Engagement of Popular Price Entertainers, Beginning Friday.

Popular prices will once more reign at the Academy two nights this week and three next. The Lyric Stock Company will be the attraction, and in this, its return engagement, will offer much finer plays and much finer specialities than those seen here before. The company has added two especially strong plays to its repertoire in "The Fatal Card" and "In Idaho." The latter piece, which is a well known success, will serve as the vehicle to introduce the company a second time to Wilmington theatre-goers. The play is an exceptionally strong one, with plenty of heart interest and good, rich comedy. In connection with the play will be presented a clever line of specialities.

On Friday night every lady accompanied by the holder of a paid 30 cent ticket will be admitted free, provided the ticket is purchased before 6 o'clock Friday afternoon. The sale of seats will commence at Plummer's to-morrow morning.

— Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Cronly and child, of New York, arrived yesterday morning from New York on the steamer "Carib." They are on a visit to Mr. Cronly's mother, Mrs. M. Cronly.

DIED.

ANDERSON—At the residence of her father, 912 North Sixth street, Tuesday, February 7th, at 12 o'clock, PEARL LEE, only daughter of S. L. P. Anderson, aged 2 months and 27 days. Interment in Richmond, Va.

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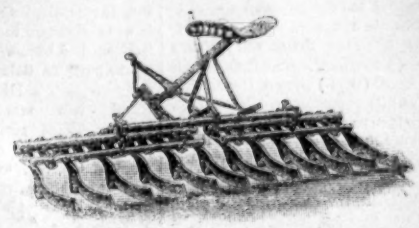

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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING FEB. 8

THE RAILROAD RATE BILL.

The STAR's dispatches yesterday told us that the Republican majority in the House in a rank partisan way had shut off any amendments which the Democrats desired to offer to the Esch-Townsend bill to regulate railroad freight rates. The Republican conference last week decided to railroad the bill through and agreed to allow discussion on it up to to morrow, when the House will probably take a vote on it. The Philadelphia Record (Dem.) makes this remark about it:

"If it be true that the President is engaging the assistance of Presidents Cassatt and Spencer to carry the Esch-Townsend bill through the Senate, then he has got ready to compromise. These railroad presidents have expressed their hearty approval of all efforts to prevent rebates and all other sorts of favors and discriminations, but they are opposed to increasing the power of any public agency to fix the prices they shall charge for their services, and to the creation of a special court for the trial of complaints against them. The House bill will undergo considerable modification before it will pass the Senate by their advice and assistance."

It will be remembered that one day last week President Casstat, of the Pennsylvania railroad, and President Spencer, of the Southern Railway, had a conference with the President, who sent for them and had them at luncheon with him. Did the President and the railroad presidents come to an agreement about what bill it is desired for Congress to adopt? After all, what the American people want is action by Congress that will safeguard the interests of the people and the railroad interests as well. The Record says:

"The discussion of proposed legislation for the Federal regulation of railway rates, under the authority of Congress over interstate commerce, is doing much to clarify the public understanding of the subject. It is now generally conceded that railway freight rates are, in the main, fair. It is also freely admitted that railway officials are frequently guilty of cutting under established rates in the interest of favored shippers. What is therefore needed is not that the government shall undertake to make new rates, but that it shall invest the Interstate Commerce Commission with actual power to discover and correct abuses and to incidentally give effective aid in bringing to punishment the violators of law.

The owners of railroads have so much, or more, to gain from the operation of laws to hold officials to a strict adherence to publish rates as the shippers and the larger public, who are entitled to fair service for fair compensation. This is the view evidently entertained by President Cassatt, who well knows that the actual making of interstate rates, whatever the law may be, will necessarily remain in the hands of the carriers themselves. Nowhere else is there competence for the complicated task. This was sufficently demonstrated in the first ten years' experience after the Interstate Commerce Commission was supposed to be invested with the power of arbitrary control of rates. President Cassatt, while admitting that the Elkins act of 1902 needs to be broadened in its respective features, to bring it up to date with newly devised means of collusive arrangement between large shippers and the railroads, strongly oppose the establishment of special railway Courts ror the adjudication of railway litigation. In this stand he is thoroughly right. The Interstate Commerce Commission and the Courts, as now constituted, are sufficient for atl purposes of proper Federal regulation. The Elkins act needs to be supplemented, as was suggested by President Cassatt, with the legislation to cover discriminations in favor of private car lines and terminals. It needs also to be amended so as to provide against unjust classification and for the infliction of more exemplary punishment for the misdoing it is aimed to prevent. Thus armed with the power of exposing, correcting and punishing the misdoing of carriers and shippers, if the laws are not enforced the people will know where to place the blame. It will be time enough to try new experiments after a failure of good result from the enforcement of the laws already on the statute books."

While the Record is a Democratic paper, we are rather inclined to believe that the concensus of opinion in the Democratic party is for a more radical measure than that which is before Congress. The Hon. William J. Bryan wants the President's plans to be carried out and while he says he wants to see the experiment tried, he is satisfied that it will be a failure.

TRIAL WITHOUT JURY.

The Baltimore Sun gives us a notable example of what is meant by a trial without the right of having the evidence laid before a jury for a verdict. The incident, strange to say, is afforded by a trial in a country over which the American flag floats. The Sun bases its remarks upon a case recently tried in the Philippine Islands which illustrates the practical operation of the denial of trial by jury in territory owned and governed by the United States of the administration of justice in our island possessions. Last July a soldier named Gafton, while on guard at Camp Jossman, Island of Guimaras, Philippine Islands, shot and killed two Fillipinos. Application was at once made by General Carter, Commander of the Department of the Visayas, to the Judge of the Civil Court in the district, the Court of First Instance, as it is called, namely, Judge Henry C. Bates, for his opinion as to whether a military tribunal should deal with the case. Judge Bates gave a written opinion to the effect that he regarded the military authorities as entirely competent to take cognizance. Thereupon Grafton was brought to trial before a court-martial composed of the highest officers available. The evidence showed that while the guard was patrolling his beat two Filipino men approached him, drew their knives and made a dash for the sentinel, and the sentinel shot them both. It was also shown that the sentinel, Grafton, had been a member of the rescue party to Balangiga, where a company of soldiers had been treacherously murdered by the natives. This circumstance was sufficient to cause distrust in the mind of Grafton, even if the demeanor of the natives had been less hostile. Upon this evidence the court acquitted the prisoner. The opinion of military men would most probably have been that if the soldier had acted otherwise than he did and had escaped with his life he would have subjected himself to punishment.

The evidence was so clear and the conclusion was so certain that it was believed that the matter was at an end. But those who entertained this opinion were not well versed in the law as it obtains in places where the Constitution does not reach. Certain civilians who were dissatisfied with the disposition of the case obtained a warrant for Grafton's arrest with a view to his trial in the Civil Court. General Carter refused to surrender the man, but was ordered to do so by his superior officer, Major-General J. F. Wade, who acted upon the request of the Governor-General. The same Judge Bates, who had given the opinion that the military authorities had jurisdiction, took cognizance of the case, and Grafton was carried before him. There he was denied the right of trial by jury, one of the most sacred rights of the English speaking people, convicted by this Judge and sentenced to pay a fine and confinement in the penitentiary for a term of 12 yeare.

The Judge's decision was in writing and was based upon the following assumption, which, the reports say, was only an assumption unsupported by any evidence: "I am inclined to believe," said the Judge, "that some demonstration was made with the knife, and account for it in my mind upon the ground that the natives had observed the trepidation and nervousness of the defendant and that he had left his path to avoid them and they advanced in the manner in which they did and made whatever demonstration they did because they thought he was afraid of them and, with a spirit of sport, to see what action he would take."

Upon the above recital of facts the Sun makes this strong comment:

"It must be remembered that the Judge accounts for the action of the natives by imputing to them a spirit of fun, and imputes to the soldier a condition of nervousnes. He does this, it seems, "in his mind," without the support of any evidence. A man is deprived of his liberty because he did not discover a spirit of sport in two men rushing at him with drawn knives. Here is the practical working of a system of government without the safeguards of the constitution. An American citizen in the discharge of his duty is deprived of his liberty and his property without that due process of law which is guaranteed by the Constitution and which for centuries has been regarded as the heritage of our people. The soldier of the United States army serving in the Philippines finds himself in this dilemma, if this decision is to stand: If he discharges what his military superiors have decided is his duty, he is sent to the penitentiary without trial by jury. If he fails to do it, he is either murdered or subjected to military punishment. There is no process by which the American citizen can be forced in time of peace to enlist in the army. The question is, will he enlist if he is to be deprived of rights which have been regarded as inalienable, or is placed in a position to be subjected to such treatment?"

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Some Wilmington Citizens Can Tell You Where It's Found.

If you have any itchiness of the skin,
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They tell about it. Read what this citizen says:

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Mrs. G. I. Partridge, of Franklin Mass., who recently celebrated her 60th wedding anniversary, writes:

"The grippe left me in a very weakened condition—no appetite, thin, nervous and no vitality. Nothing seemed to help me until a friend brought me a bottle of your Vinol. I commenced to take it, and it gave me a hearty appetite, my health and strength returned until I feel like a new creature. I consider Vinol a wonderful medicine for any one who has had a severe sickness; it makes strength and vitality so fast."

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CURRENT COMMENT.

—A Brooklyn minister asks "if men must have games of chance, why don't they go to Wall street?" Clergymen never heard of the snowball in Hades. That's why.—New York Herald.

—The President is quoted as saying he believes the Senate will act promptly on the railway rate bill. Guess we'll have to quit thinking of Senator Depew as the prize optimist.—Washington Post.

—After Congress gets through with Judge Swayne for charging up $10 a day to Uncle Sam for his hotel hash, it will no doubt discipline any of its members who are thrifty enough to collect 20 cents a mile mileage from Uncle Sam while riding on a free pass.—Atlanta Constitution.

—Between a candidate close to a big Trust and another close to the railroads the Republican party of Missouri naturally reaches a deadlock in electing a United States Senator. It is like asking a hungry and thirsty man to choose between a bottle of beer and a porterhouse steak.—St. Louis Republic.

—It seems very strange at this distance that Southern congressmen, especially some from South Carolina, should seriously object to the bill continuing the fast mail over the Southern railway to the South. As we understand it this service costs the government in the neighborhood of $150,000 a year, but that is an infinitesimal sum compared to the financial benefits the business men of the South, and its people generally, receive. As our Washington correspondent said the other day in his letter, the South is away behind the North in special mail facilities. Hourly special mail trains leave Washington for Northern points, yet southward only one fast train is sent daily, and that carries mail for the whole section of the country, known as the South. The business importance of the South is such that more fast mail trains ought to be operated. We of this section get too little anyway when the "pork barrel" is raided, and certainly in the matter of fast mail facilities our congressmen ought to see that we get all that may be possible for us to obtain.—Columbia Record.

TWINKLINGS

—"Do you think Bunks ever fooled his wife successfully?" "I know it. He married her.—Detroit Free Press.

—First Visitor (in St. Louis)—Hello, old man! How are you? I suppose you're here on a pleasure trip? Second Visitor (in St Louis)—No, here strictly on business. You see my wife's with me.

—Young Man—Do you remember my buying this jewelry from you? Jeweler—Yes, what's the trouble with it? Young Man—The trouble is between me and the girl. Would you mind exchanging it for collar buttons.

—Paul (aged 5)—Mamma, do you really and truly love me? Mamma (a widow)—Of course I do, dear. Why do you ask me? Paul—Well, cauze I want you to marry the man who keeps the candy store.

—"I," said Puck, "will put a girdle around the world in forty minutes." "Then, you'll beat my wife's time," remarked Lysander. "It usually takes her a little longer to adjust her belt."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

—Mifkins—"Wasn't Benedict's death rather sudden and unexpected?" Bifkins—"Well, it was sudden, but not necessarily unexpected. His wife had just graduated from a cooking school."—Chicago News.

—Wife: "Our daughter is 20, and she ought to be married." Hubby: "Oh, she has plenty of time. Let her wait till the right man comes along." Wife: "Not at all. I didn't wait for the right sort of man."—Louisville State Journal.

—Miss Ethel to visitor—It was so cold in my room last night that when I got up to get a drink of water my teeth chattered and I thought I would freeze. Ethel's Grandmother (slightly deaf)—Did you say the glass of water with your teeth in it froze last night?

Grave Trouble Foreseen.

It needs but little foresight to tell that when your stomach and liver are badly affected grave trouble is ahead, unless you take the proper medicine for your disease, as Mrs. John A. Young, of Clay, N. Y., did. She says: "I had neuralgia of the liver and stomach, my heart was weakened and I could not eat. I was very bad for a long time, but in Electric Bitters I found just what I needed, for they quickly relieved and cured me." Its the best medicine for weak women. Sold under guarantee by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist, at 50c a bottle.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

Five reformatory bills are before the Legislature ranging from practically a penitentiary to an industrial schools. The committee will endeavor to prepare a bill from all there.

—Very strict orders are issued from the Adjutant General's office to the National Guard regarding the discipline and care of property, to prevent any such laxity as that which last year caused the death of two soldiers.

—A report on the banks by the North Carolina Corporation Commission shows that there is in the State one hundred and sixty-four State, seven private and twenty-seven savings. The total resources are $32,000,000 against $28,000,000 a year ago. The deposits subject to check are $19,000,000.

—Charlotte Observer, Feb. 7: The following story, sent from New York, and clipped from the Baltimore Sun of recent date is of interest to Charlotte people: "Identified by an ingenious system, through which Coroner Scholer, using the postal services of the world, has discovered the names of many persons dying unidentified, the body of William Clendenning, who recently was asphyxiated with a female companion in the Arsenal Hotel, 479 Seventh avenue, lies in the morgue. When a man and woman, who registered at the hotel on January 30 as "John White and wife" were found dead the following day there was a letter from Charlotte, N C., in the man's clothing signed "Emma" and evidently from his wife. Coroner Scholer wrote a postal card to the postmaster at Charlotte. This was posted above the delivery window and brought a response. Mrs. Emma Clendenning wrote that the dead man was almost certainly her husband. Who is Mrs. Emma Clendenning? That is the question the Charlotte policemen are asking. Her name does not appear in the city directory.

—Col. Jno. S. Cunningham, president of the North Carolina Cotton Growers' and Business Men's Association, returned to Raleigh Sunday after having spoken at Lumberton on Friday and at Fayetteville on Saturday. He addressed the farmers on the cotton situation, urging upon growers the importance of reducing their acreage and reducing their supplies at home. While tobacco in 1903 sold as far below the cost of production, the farmers were aroused and decided to act, resolving to curtail their crops. As a result, the crop of 1904 sold at far better prices. He declared that a man who mortgages his tobacco and cotton, and who, when he sells these, has no money left, and who fails to raise his supplies at home, will have nothing left but his appetite He was much gratified at the warm reception given him at both places by the good people of those enterprising towns and by the farmers from the country, and expressed the opinion that the farmers will fully carry out the plan of curtailing acreage and not rushing their cotton on the market.

—Charlotte Chronicle, Feb. 6: His friends in Charlotte and elsewhere are greatly grieved by the news of the disappearance of Mr. W. G. Catlin, Jr., a well-known and popular young fire insurance man of this city, who went to Georgetown, S. C., last week to spend a few days duck-hunting. Thursday afternoon he left Georgetown, accompanied by an experienced hunter and guide, for the duck ponds, and since that time nothing has been seen or heard of him. The presumption is that he was drowned. It is known that there was a storm on the pond. Saturday morning the boat was found, filled with water and containing one gun and other hunting accoutrements. Later the body of the colored oarsman was discovered, some distance away. It is presumed that the boat overturned and the occupants attempted to swim ashore. Searching parties have been out continuously, but all to no purpose. Mr. Catlin had resided in Charlotte since the first of the year, coming here from Daville, Va, in the capacity of a special agent of the Royal Assurance Exchange, of London. He was 27 or 28 years of age. About three years ago Mr. Catlin was married to Miss Lucile Conrad, a member of one of the most prominent families in Danville. Mrs. Catlin is in Danville prostrated with grief over the sad fatality that has overtaken her husband.

—Charlotte Chronicle: Our cotton fields are threatened with devastation by a pest which made its way here from another country and now the talk is that our peanut fields may be ruined by a disease which has broken out in Africa and which, it is feared, may come this way. We had thought that the eastern counties of the Southern coast States were about the only peanut lands of any consequence, but it seems that we were mistaken. In German East Africa, the peanut is the leading industry, and it is cultivated on a large scale. The disease which has broken out there is described as a fungus which causes reddish-brown spots upon the plants which afterwards change to black. The disease occurs wherever peanuts grow, but does not kill the plant elsewhere. The new disease observed in the vicinity of Tanga, and which is also said to exist at Lindi, results in a rapid dying out of the plant. It shows itself in a retarded growth of the leaves, flowers and fruit; and the leaves in addition, show irregular white spots, which ultimately change to brown and black. The cause is yet unknown. The fungus which may be responsible has not yet been found, neither on the roots nor on the diseased leaves or flowers. It is possible that the disease, like the mosaic disease of the tobacco plant, which it resembles, is due to bacteria. The peanut plant has still another enemy in a root louse, concerning which no close research has yet been made.

Poisons in Food.

Perhaps you don't realize that many pain poisons originate in your food, but some day you may feel a twinge of dyspepsia that will convince you. Dr. King's New Life Pills are guaranteed to cure all sickness due to poisons of undigested food, or money back. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Try them.

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, February 7.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $3.40 bid per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.30 per barrel for hard, $3.70 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 62c; rosin firm at $2.60; tar firm at $1.40; crude turpentine firm at $2.50@4.25.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	10
Rosin	106
Tar	55
Crude turpentine	15

Receipts same day last year—41 casks spirits turpentine, 300 barrels rosin, 289 barrels tar, 58 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market steady at 7¾c for middling. Same day last year, nothing doing. Receipts—358 bales; same day last year, 375.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm. Prime, 95c; extra prime, $1.00; fancy, $1.10, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 85c; extra prime, 90c; fancy, 95c. Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm; 60@65c per bushe for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 14@15c per pound; shoulders, 11c; sides, dull, 10@11c.

EGGS—Dull at 18@20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 15@35c; springs, 12½@15c.

TURKEYS—Dull at 12½c for live; 16½c for dressed.

BEESWAX—Firm at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6c per pound.

PORK—Firm at 6@7c net.

PEAS—White, $1.75@1.85; clay, $1.10@1.25.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 60@75c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 3@3½c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Money on call was steady at 1¾ per cent.; closing bid 1¾ per ct., offered at 2; time loans steady; sixty days 2¾@3 per ct.; ninety days 3 per cent.; six months 3½@3¾ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3½@4½ per cent. Sterling exchange was heavy, with actual business in bankers' bills 487.90@487.95 for demand and at 485.65@485.70 for sixty day bills. The posted rates were 486½ and 487. Commercial bills were 485¼. Bar silver 61¾. Mexican dollars 47½. U. S. refunding 2's, reg'd, 104½; do. coupon, 104½; U. S. 3's, registered, 103¾; do. coupon, 103¾; U. S. 4's, new, registered, 131; U. S. 4's, new, coupon, 131; U. S. 4's, old; registered, 105½; do. coupon, 105¾. American Tobacco 4's cert., 75½; American Tobacco 6's cert., 117. Atlantic Coast Line 4's, 103¾; Louisville & Nashville, united 4's, 103; Seaboard Air Line 4's 88¼; Southern Railway 5's, 119¾ b d. Stocks: Atlantic Coast Line 123; Baltimore & Ohio preferred 97; Chesapeake & Ohio 50¾; Louisville & Nashville 137¾; Manhattan L 171; New York Central 147¾; Reading 94¼; do. 1st pref'd, 93¾; do. 2nd pref'd 91¼; Southern Railway 34½; do. pref'd 97¾. Amalgamated Copper 73¾; People's Gas 108¾; Tennessee Coal and Iron 76¾; U. S. Leather 14; U. S. Leather preferred, 106; Western Union 92¾; U. S. Steel 30¾; do. preferred 94¾. Mexican Central 23¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical, 35; sales — shares; do. preferred, 107¼; sales — shares. Standard Oil 647.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 7.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 18¾@18¾; do. preferred 37½@37¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Rosin quiet. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 7.—Spirits turpentine and rosin—nothing doing.

SAVANNAH, Feb. 7.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 52c; receipts 139 casks; sales 100 casks; shipments 347 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 1,889 barrels; sales 826 barrels; shipments 960 barrels: A, B, C, $2 55; D, $2 57½; E, $2 62½; F, $2 65; G, $2 82½; H $3 15; I, $3 50; K, $4 05; M, $4 50; N, $4 75; W G, $5 00; W W $5 15.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—The cotton market was active and very erratic with fluctuations rapid and covering a range much wider than recently noted although final quotations showed no material change for the day. The chief feature was of course the completed report of the census bureau giving the amount of cotton ginned up to January 16 The market was very active and irregular before the report was issued. The market was firm at an advance of 11 to 14 points on much stronger cables than expected, showing of thirteen to fourteen points on futures and of fifteen points on spot cotton. The initial bulge uncovered stop loss orders on the short side but also attracted very heavy realizing and after the stop orders had been executed the market gradually declined New Orleans showed leading weakness and as midday appeared there was every short selling by professionals in the local market on the ground that the census report might prove more bearish than expected. at any rate there was a sharp break and just before the report was issued the general list showed a net loss of about 5@6 points. Following the report there was a quick jump in prices of about 22@28 points from the lowest, making a new high level for the day and for the recent advance, after which, however, it seems as though all the smaller longs were trying to take profits at one, and in the late trading the market fluctuated around the low point of the session, being finally steady at a net decline of 2 to 7 points. Sales were estimated at 450,000 bales. The census report did not prove out of line with general expectations. The view seemed to be taken here that the figures indicated a crop of about 13,000,000 bales, exclusive of linters. Receipts for the day were light at all points and southern spot markets generally firm prices, in some instances 1-8c higher.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Cotton—The market was quiet at 7.80; net receipts 114 bales; gross receipts 7,003 bales; stock 86,937 bales.

Spot cotton closed quiet and 8 points higher; middling upland 7.80c; middling gulf 8.05; sales 161 bales.

Futures opened strong: February 7.48, March 7.55, April —, May 7.60, June 7.64, July 7.71, August 7.74, September 7.80, October 7.83, November 7.85 December 7.88 bid, January —.

Futures market closed steady: February 7.85, March 7.40, April 7.43, May 7.46, June 7.50, July 7.55, August 7.60, September 7.62, October 7.67, November 7.71, December 7.74.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 17,675 bales; exports to Great Britain 15,048 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to the Continent 250 bales; exports to Japan — bales; exports to Mexico — bales; stock 766,977 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 48,554 bales; exports to Great Britain 26,048 bales; exports to France — bales; exports to Continent 19,885 bales; exports to Japan 2,010 bales; exports to Mexico 160 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 6,768,468 bales; exports to Great Britain 2,509,490 bales; exports to France 552,844 bales; exports to the Continent 2,207,396 bales; exports to Japan 93,445 bales; exports to Mexico 19,214 bales.

Feb. 7.—Galveston, firm at 7¼c, net receipts 3,643 bales; Norfolk, firm at 7¼c, net receipts 999 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 7¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 7.80c, net receipts 258 bales; Wilmington, steady at 7¼c, net receipts 358 bales; Philadelphia, steady at 8.05c, net receipts 150 bales; Savannah, firm at 7¾c, net receipts 2,395 bales; New Orleans, firm at 7 7-16c, net receipts 8,143 bales; Mobile, steady at 7¾c, net receipts 1,126 bales; Memphis, steady at 7 7-16, net receipts 50 bales; Augusta, steady at 7 9-16c, net receipts 366 bales; Charleston, steady at 7¼c, net receipts 47 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Flour was steady. Rye flour quiet. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red $1 22½ f. o. b. afloat. Options closed at a partial ½@¾c net advance; May closed $1 16¾; July closed $1 05¾; September closed 97¾. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 54¼c at elevator Options ¼c net lower; May closed 50¾c; July closed 50¾c. Oats—Spot steady; mixed, 26@32 pounds, 36¼@37½c. Lard was quiet; refined quiet. Pork steady. Rice firm. Butter was strong: Western factory 17@21c. Cheese firm: State, small, colored and white, choice, 11¼. Eggs quiet; nearby selected 36@38c; Southern 25@33c. Peanuts firm; fancy hand picked 5¼@5½c; other domestic grades 3¼@5¾. Potatoes—Market quiet; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 lbs, $1 25@2 00; State and Western $1 25@1 40; Jersey sweets $2 00@4 00. Cabbages quiet; flat Dutch, per 100, $2 00@3 00. Freights to Liverpool—Cotton, 12@14. Sugar—Raw quiet; fair refining 4⅝c; centrifugal, 96 test 5¼c; molasses sugar 4¼c; refined quiet. Tallow firm. Molasses firm. Cotton seed oil was strong and active at quotations: Prime crude, f. o. b. mills 17c; prime summer yellow 34¾@34¾c; off summer yellow nominal; prime white 37@37½c; prime winter yellow 37½@38c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—A smaller increase than expected in the world's visible supply caused a firm finish in the wheat pit here to-day. Final quotations on May were up ½ to ½c. and July ½ to ¾c. Corn is down ½ to ½c. Oats are practically unchanged and provisions 7½ to 12½ off.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Cash prices: Flour quiet. Wheat—No. 2 spring $1 13@1 16; No. 3 do. $1 05@$1 16; No. 2 red $1 18¾@1 20. Corn—No. 2 45¼c; No. 2 yellow 43¾c. Oats—No. 2 30½c; No. 2 white, 32@32½c; No. 3 white 30¾@32c. Rye—No. 2 75c. Mess pork, per bbl, $12 62@12 65. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 70@6 72. Short rib sides, loose, $6 62@6 75. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, no report. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 75@6 87. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 23.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 May $1 16¾, 1 16¾, 1 16¾@1 17, 1 16¾. 1 16¾; July $1 01¼@1 01¾, 1 01¾, 1 01¼@1 01¾; September 94¼, 94¼, 93¾@93¾, 93¾c. Corn—February —, —, —, 42¾c; May 45¼@45¾, 45¾, 45, 45½c; July 45¾, 45¾, 45¼, 45¾c. Oats—February —, —, —, 30¾c; May 30¾@30¾, 30¾@30¾, 30¾; July 30¾@30¾, 30¾@30½, 30½, 30½c. Mess pork, per bbl.—February —, —, —, $12 62 May $12 92, 12 92, 12 80, 12 82. Lard, per 100 lbs—February —, —, —, $6 70; May $6 95, 6 95, 6 90, 6 90; July, $7 05, 7 07, 7 00, 7 00. Short ribs per 100 lbs—February —, —, —, $6 62; May $6 90, 6 90, 6 82, 6 82; July $7 00, 7 00, 6 95, 6 97.

NEW YORK COFFEE FUTURES.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Coffee—Spot quiet. Futures steady and unchanged to 5 points higher.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 7.—Cotton: Spot, good business done; prices 15 points higher; American middling fair 4.88d; good middling 4.28d; middling 4 16d; low middling 4 04d; good ordinary 3 90d; ordinary 3.74d. The sales of the day were 10,000 bales, of which 2,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 9,300 bales American. Receipts 11,400 bales, all American.

Futures opened firm and closed barely steady; American middling (g o c): February 3.96d; February and March 3.96d; March and April 4.01d; April and May 4.05d; May and June 4.07d; June and July 4.10d; July and August 4.12d; August and September 4.13d; September and October 4.14d; October and November 4.15d; November and December 4.17d.

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A. & Y. Railroad—25 bales cotton, 15 barrels crude turpentine.
Steamer Tar Heel—6 barrels rosin, 20 barrels tar.
Steamer A. J. Johnson—10 casks spirits turpentine, 100 barrels rosin, 23 barrels tar.
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January 18, 1905. jan 20tf

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OF THE CONDITION OF THE ATLANTIC National Bank, at Wilmington, N. C., at the close of business, January 11th, 1904.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$ 729 957 53
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	18,141 31
U. S. bonds to secure circulation	125,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. deposits	104,850 00
Bonds, securities, etc	29,850 00
Banking houses, furniture, and fixtures	20,000 00
Other real estate owned	10,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents	169 997 34
Due from State Banks and Bankers	170,873 68
Due from approved reserve agents	78,611 93
Checks and other cash items	125 00
Notes of other National Banks	18,135 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	513 93
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie	$39,500 00
Legal tender notes	25,615 00 64,094 00
Redemption fund with U. S Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	5,000 50
Total	$1,542,141 82

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 125,000 00
Surplus fund	125,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	53,449 28
National Bank notes outstanding	125 000 00
Due to other National Banks	58,937 94
Due to State Banks and Bankers	150,447 92
Dividends unpaid	946 00
Individual deposits subject to check	786,991 94
Cashier's checks outstanding	3,470 93
United States Deposits	164,800 00
Total	$1,542,641 28

State of North Carolina, county of New Hanover, ss.:

I, J. W. Yates, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. W. YATES, Cashier.

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HE KILLED THUNDERBOLT.

The announcement in the Sydney Government Gazette of the appointment of Superintendent Walker to one of the most important police districts of New South Wales recalls a famous duel to the death. Superintendent Walker is the Constable Walker who killed Captain Thunderbolt, a famous Australian bush-ranger and mail robber, on May 25, 1870. Thunderbolt, whose real name was Frederick Ward, fired at Walker and galloped away. Walker returned the fire and pursued. Both men fired at each other as opportunity offered. The Rocky river confronted the outlaw, but he took one daring leap. His horse was killed by the constable's next shot. "Are you married?" cried Thunderbolt from the middle of the river. "Yes," replied Walker. "Well, remember your family." "Oh, that's all right. Will you come out and surrender?" "No; I'll die first." "Then it's you and me for it," said the constable as he plunged into the river. The duel continued in the water until Thunderbolt was mortally wounded. He died next day.

Direct Legislation.

Governor Garvin of Rhode Island in North American Review divides direct legislation into, first, the compulsory referendum, which requires all laws and ordinances to be submitted to a vote of the people; second, the optional referendum, which petition, to require the submission of any law or ordinance to the judgment of the voters; third, the initiative and referendum, which permits a minority, by petition, to propose a bill and have it submitted without change to a popular vote; fourth, the constitutional initiative, which provides that a reasonable minority of the voters may propose amendments to the constitution, to be submitted unchanged to the popular vote. In every case a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors upon any proposition decides its fate.

A Painter's Gift.

Mestag, the eminent Dutch marine painter, has just presented to the Dutch government, for the nation, a princely collection of art objects. The famous Barbizon school of French painters is particularly well represented. There are twenty pictures by Daubigny, twelve by Corot, three by Millet, seven by Rousseau and ten by Diaz. The most famous Dutch artists, mediæval and modern, are also well represented. Besides paintings, the collection includes a profusion of china, gobelin tapestry, Japanese porcelain, Indian curios, oriental carpets and draperies, all chosen with admirable judgment and valued in the aggregate at $600,000.

To Punish Liars.

Thomas Z. Yount of Alexandria, Mo., who sent Governor Durbin a draft of a "liar's bill," providing punishment for those who tell more than five lies in a day, is sixty-five years old and lives alone in a shabby little house near Alexandria. He has stacks of good books and magazines, with which he passes away the time. He is a veteran of the civil war and was wounded in the head and leg. He draws a pension of $50 a month and owns property. He says his "liar's bill" would be a good thing for the country and that he will try to enlist public interest in it at the next session of the legislature.

Lions In a Balloon.

Probably the most remarkable balloon ascent ever made took place at Roubaix recently. The author of this singular exploit was a Captain Henri, a menagerie proprietor, who went up in a cage boat attached to a balloon, with two lions in the cage with him and two aeronauts, MM. Wellet and Duchateau, on the top of the cage. The ascent took place at 5 p. m., and the balloon rose splendidly in presence of a great crowd, taking a course toward the Belgian frontier, descending without accident at Etaimbourg at 6:30.

Postage Stamp Paper.

"Crisp new bank notes" may cease to be a descriptive term if the government avails itself of recent discoveries by which paper can be made soft, velvety and unshrinkable. In the making of postage stamps, too, the discovery may work a considerable change. It is said that because of the shrinkage of the paper now used after receiving the printing on one side and the mucilage on the other and because no two sheets shrink alike one-fifth are ruined in the perforation.

Risked His Life.

A silver medal for military valor was lately bestowed on an Italian soldier in presence of the whole army because at imminent risk of his own life he had last spring saved two officers who were sliding down toward a precipice in the Alps by fastening his rifle firmly in the snow and stopping them with his extended arms. The precipice was only sixty yards below.

Fraud Exposed.

A few counterfeiters have lately been making and trying to sell imitations of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, and other medicines, thereby defrauding the public. This is to warn you to beware of such people, who seek to profit through stealing the reputation of remedies which have been successfully curing diseases for over thirty-five years. A sure protection to you is our name on the wrapper. Look for it on all Dr. King's or Bucklen's remedies, as all others are mere imitations. H. E. BUCKLEN & Co., Chicago, Ill., and Windsor, Canada.

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Among materials used in interior decoration stained glass and its substitutes have been quietly but surely finding a foothold in professional and popular taste, says the Wallpaper News. Stained glass is usually linked in the mind with churches, and an imitation of stained glass somehow leads up to the idea of hotel barrooms. Nothing is more erroneous. Today stained glass and its substitutes are being used with excellent results in the decoration of houses. The effect of the light shining through it is something that can be gained in no other way, and for windows, door panels, transoms, interior partitions, fire screens, lamps and a dozen other ways it is used to great advantage.

— Charlotte Chronicle: A paragraph in last week's Lumberton Robesonian states: "A letter has been received by a citizen in Scotland county, from the noted Henry Berry Lowry, asking him to have intercession made to the Governor for his pardon, so that he might return to Robeson and spend his last days. It has long been thought by many that this noted outlaw was dead, but he is, and has been for years a native of Mexico." Along about 1876, this outlaw was a terror to the people of Robeson county. Even if pardoned by the Governor and he should return to his old haunts, he would probably be killed. There is not any too much land and distance between Henry Berry Lowry and North Carolina. He appears to be doing well enough in Mexico. Let him stay there.

— Salisbury Evening Post: Mr. W. G. Newman came up on a special yesterday morning from Gold Hill. He was accompanied by Mrs. Newman and Senator Mrson of Virginia, and left on No. 36 for New York. Asked about the Gold Hill mine Mr. Newman said: "The mine is now all that I have ever expected it to be. We have been taking out fine ore since operations were resumed but will not make any shipments for some time. I know there is no exaggeration in the statement when I say I will net $1,000,000 from the Gold Hill mine during the next twelve months." Mr. Newman will make regular trips to the mine, perhaps weekly visits, during the year.

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GOING EAST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Pass'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'r Trains Arrive	Pass'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	2 30	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 02	Kinston	10 13	.....
5 45	5 50	Newbern	8 27	9 00
7 25	7 27	Morehead City	.....	6 53
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 1.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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To The Beach and Wrightsville

Suburban and City Schedule.

In Effect January 12, 1905.

Suburban Schedule (daily except Sunday.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave the Beach
6.30 A. M.	8.00 A. M.
10.00 A. M.	12.30 P. M.
3.00 P. M.	5.15 P. M.
Leave Wrightsville	
6.45 P. M.	
8.15 " "	
9.30 " "	
10.30 " "	

Extra Cars on Sundays.

Note: Trains leaving Front and Princess Sts. at 6.15, 7.30, 9.00 and 10.00 P. M. will go over to beach on request.

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Leave Front and Princess	Leave Cemetery
9.00 A. M.	9.30 A. M.
3.10 P. M.	3.00 P. M.
4.30 P. M.	5.00 P. M.

Delgado and Golf Link Car (Without change.) Daily except Sunday

Leave Front and Princess	Leave Golf Links.
8.40 P. M.	4.00 P. M.
5.10 " "	5.30 " "

A. C. L. Depot Car (Without change).

Leave Front and Princess	Leave A. C. L. Depot.
10.00 A. M.	10.10 A. M.
5.40 P. M.	6.00 P. M.

S. A. L. Car (Without change.)

Leave Front and Princess	Leave S. A. L. Depot.
12.35 P. M.	12.45 P. M.
9.35 P. M.	9.00 P. M.
11.15 P. M.	11.30 P. M.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.

Daily except Sunday.

Leave 9th and Orange 1.00 P. M. Leave the Beach 4.30 P. M.

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Schedule in Effect Dec. 1, 1904.

NORTHBOUND.

	No 41	No 43
Lv Wilmington	9 15 a m	8 20 p m
Ar Goldsboro	11 08 " m	9 30 p m
Ar Wilson	1 15 p m	10 36 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 50 p m	11 10 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 50 p m	1 47 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 55 p m	4 05 a m
Ar Richmond	7 45 p m	4 47 a m
Ar Washington	11 30 p m	7 54 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 45 a m	9 00 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 20 a m
Ar New York	7 00 a m	1 00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No 42	No 40
Lv New York	9 35 a m	1 20 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 55 a m	4 01 p m
Ar Baltimore	2 07 p m	6 20 p m
Ar Washington	3 21 p m	7 45 p m
Ar Norfolk	.....	7 00 a m
Ar Richmond	7 15 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Petersburg	8 06 p m	6 45 a m
Ar Weldon	9 51 p m	11 50 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 40 p m	1 00 p m
Ar Wilson	11 23 p m	2 00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	6 48 a m	2 50 p m
Ar Wilmington	10 10 a m	6 00 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND

	*Daily.	Daily.	Daily
Lv Wilmington	6 00 a m	3 20 p m	1 50 p m
Ar Florence	9 25 a m	7 05 p m	4 55 p m
Ar Charleston	1 10 p m	11 05 p m	8 40 p m
Ar Savannah	6 45 p m	1 50 a m	12 40 a m
Ar Jacksonville		6 40 a m	1 45 p m
Ar Tampa		7 30 p m	10 35 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	*Daily.	Daily
Lv Tampa	8 40 p m	9 00 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7 35 a m	7 00 p m
Ar Savannah	1 10 p m	1 15 a m
Ar Charleston	9 14 p m	5 55 a m
Ar Florence	2 45 a m	9 30 a m
Ar Wilmington	11 35 a m	1 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound *Daily	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	9 10 a m	Ar 12 50 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12 29 p m	Ar 4 05 p m
Ar Sanford	1 55 p m	Lv 4 40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND NEWBERN.

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Lv Wilmington	3 35 p m	Ar 12 50 p m
Ar Newbern	5 40 p m	Lv 9 00 a m

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Leave Hamlet	6 50 a m	9 10 p m
" Southern Pines	9 45 a m	11 50 p m
" Raleigh	11 40 a m	1 30 a m
" Norlina	1 35 p m	3 27 a m
Arrive Portsmouth	5 30 p m	6 30 a m
Leave Richmond	4 50 p m	6 35 a m
" Washington	8 35 p m	10 10 a m
" Baltimore	11 25 p m	11 00 a m
" Philadelphia	2 35 a m	1 45 p m
Arrive New York	6 30 a m	4 15 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 31	No. 35
Leave New York	12 25 p m	9 25 p m
" Philadelphia	2 50 p m	11 15 a m
" Baltimore	5 10 p m	8 27 a m
" Washington	6 22 p m	4 30 a m
" Richmond	10 00 p m	9 10 a m
Leave Portsmouth	9 00 p m	9 25 a m
Leave Norlina	1 30 a m	1 40 p m
" Raleigh	3 35 a m	4 00 p m
" Southern Pines	5 53 a m	6 16 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m	7 30 p m
Arrive Wilmington	12 40 p m	11 30 p m

Between Wilmington and Atlanta

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41
Leave Wilmington	3 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	10 15 p m
" Athens	6 (8 a m
Arrive Atlanta	3 40 a[p] m

NORTHBOUND

	No. 38
Leave Atlanta	9 00 p m
" Athens	11 (0 p m
" Hamlet	8 40 a m
Arrive Wilmington	12 45 p m

Between Wilmington and Tampa

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 43
Leave Wilmington	4 00 p m
Leave Hamlet	12 30 a m
" Columbia	5 45 a m
" Savannah	9 40 a m
" Jacksonville	3 45 p m
Arrive Tampa	5 45 p m

NORTHBOUND

	No. 45
Leave Tampa	9 50 a m
" Jacksonville	7 10 p m
" Savannah	12 10 a m
" Columbia	5 30 a m
" Hamlet	9 40 a m
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WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING FEB. 8.

BUMPER COTTON CROP.

Ginners' Reports Indicate a Production of 12,912,312 Bales This Year Against 9,859,277 Last Year.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—A report issued by the Census Bureau to-day shows the quantity of cotton ginned from the growth of 1904 to January 16th, to be 12,767,600 bales, counting round bales as half bales. These consist of 12,534,777 square bales, 289,345 round bales and 98,110 Sea Island bales.

Counting the amount as running bales the total is 12,912,312 bales. This was ginned by the 30,321 ginneries which were operated at some time this season prior to January 16th. The statistics of cotton ginned to the corresponding date in 1904 show a total of 9,859,277 bales, embracing 9,038,890 square bales, 747,480 round bales, and 72,907 Sea Island bales, and 30,171 active ginneries.

In the canvass this January 824 ginners have refused returns or failed to report, so the quantities previously returned by them have been brought forward for this report without any addition. The total quantity of cotton thus brought forward is 327,243 running bales. A maximum estimate of the quantity ginned by these establishments between December 13th and January 16th, is 33,794 running bales. This estimate of 32,724 bales is not included in the above totals.

In this respect no account has been taken of linters obtained by cotton oil mills by removing short lint from cotton seed. The statistics of such cotton will be shown in the final report of this season, which report will be issued about March 25. The final report will distribute the crop by counties, segregate upland and Sea Island cotton and give the weight of bales. In connection with this report the director states that every specific complaint regarding the accuracy of the returns of individual ginners which has reached the census office has been carefully investigated and no material error has thus far been found. The report by States and running bales follows:

Alabama, 1,432,436 bales and 3,902 ginneries; Arkansas, 826,528 bales and 2,340 ginneries; Florida, 81,855 bales and 279 ginneries; Georgia, 1,993,668 bales and 4,974 ginneries; Indian Territory, 463,849 bales and 809 ginneries; Kentucky, 1,882 bales and five ginneries; Louisiana, 1,005,838 bales and 2,223 ginneries; Mississippi, 1,576,853 and 4,083 ginneries; Missouri, 44,303 bales and 76 ginneries; North Carolina, 704,801 bales and 2,939 ginneries; Oklahoma, 323,737 bales and 398 ginneries; South Carolina, 1,144,514 bales and 3,244 ginneries; Tennessee, 398,133 bales and 783 ginneries; Texas, 3,098,908 bales and 4,403 ginneries; Virginia, 15,988 bales and 126 ginneries.

FOUNDERED IN SNOW STORM.

Eighteen of the Crew of a British Steamer Saved, But Captain and Others Lost.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 7.—Word reached here to-night that a large steamer is ashore off Musquodobit harbor, about sixty miles to the eastward of Halifax. It is thought the steamer is on Egg Island. Communication with that part of the coast is difficult. The steamer has been sending up signals of distress for some time but the weather is thick and she cannot be made out.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 7.—Later reports say the steamer is the Damara (British), Captain Gorst, from Liverpool, via St. Johns, N. F., for Halifax and that she has since foundered. The chief officer, with 18 members of the crew reached shore in a life boat. The captain, with three passengers and the balance of the crew also left the steamer at the same time but are still missing.

The chief officer of the Damara reported that the steamer struck some object about five miles off shore early to-day and at once sprang a leak and began to settle. A blinding snow storm was raging at the time. When the lifeboats drew away the steamer was deep in the water. Captain Gorst and the others who were in the second boat, stood by the steamer and nothing has been heard of them since.

The Damara left St. Johns, N. F., last Saturday with 900 tons of cargo. The weather is stormy along the coast and a heavy sea has been running all day. Tugs left here to night to search for the steamer and the missing life boat.

GUNBOAT, HELPLESS, IS ADRIFT

Off Virginia Shore—Hornet Will Go in Search of Her To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., Feb. 7.—The United States gunboat Newport is adrift and helpless somewhere off the Virginia coast and her propeller lies at the bottom of the sea. This report came from the coast to the navy yard to-day and the naval tug Wahneta was at once dispatched to tow the disabled boat in. The Wahneta returned to-night and reported that the Newport could not be located in a radius of 75 miles, from the capes and to-morrow morning the gunboat Hornet will go out to search for the vessel.

The Newport is attached to the Caribbean Sea squadron and was en route South from Boston, under command of Commander Albert Mertz.

APING MONARCHICAL TITLES.

Gen. Luke Wright Now Governor General of the Philippines.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Luke E. Wright, of Tennessee, is the first American citizen to bear the title of governor general in the Philippines, the Philippine bill, signed by the president yesterday, authorizing the change of title he now holds, namely, civil governor of the Philippine Islands.

Secretary Taft today sent the following cablegram to the new governor general: "I salute and congratulate the first American governor general of the Philippine islands and wish for him the same success which has attended his administration as governor."

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RATE FIXING BY GOVERNMENT.

House of Representatives Discussing Bill to Regulate Railroad Carrying Charges.

TWO DISCORDANT VOICES.

Two Republicans See Danger in the Bill, Democrats Claim Credit for Forcing the Measure—Proceedings in the Senate Yesterday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The feature of the debate in the House today on the freight rate bill was the the speech of Mr. McCall, of Massachusetts, who in opposing the proposed legislation declared that it was not to be imagined that the Supreme Court would stand between the government and its victim, following that utterance with the statement that the courts usually reflected the policy of the party in power. The views of the speakers as to legislation needed were many and varied, but with the exception of Mr. McCall and Mr. Sibley, of Pennsylvania, all were agreed that the time had arrived for the granting of relief.

Mr. Richardson, of Alabama, discussed the legal points involved. It was, he said, in the Federal courts that the railroads get their protection. The special court proposed by the Townsend bill, he characterized as a fifth wheel in the judicial wagon, with no necessity for it except to embarrass the movement for equalizing rates.

Mr. Adamson, of Georgia, took issue with the statement of Mr. Grosvenor yesterday and said all the world would give the Democrats credit for forcing action, whether they claimed it or not. If the Republicans did not complete the legislation now he predicted that the country would damn them for trifling with so important a matter and preventing action. "Both parties want it," he said, "the president now wants it; the man who ought to have been President for the last eight years wants it, all who wish to be President want it, and even the railroad presidents want it, and are invading the capitol, the White House and the public press to show their anxiety." He urged his colleagues not to stop at Speaker Cannon's adjuration to pass "some kind" of a bill only, but to pass the substitute of the minority.

Mr. Shackleford, of Missouri, said the words of President Roosevelt, in his message on the subject, were bold ones, spoken in behalf of the people, but they were but a reiteration of the sentiments of Mr. Bryan, and of the declarations in three Democratic platforms. Since then, he added, there had come out the decree of a strenuous executive.

Mr. Shackleford then referred to the recent remark of Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, the minority leader, that the Democrats would "toe-mark" the President on this question. It was not, he said, with some emphasis, a question of toe-marking the President. "It is a question of marching shoulder to shoulder with the President so long as he is toe-marking the declarations of the three last Democratic platforms." It also was a question with the Democrats of President Roosevelt's "marching shoulder to shoulder with the great Nebraskan, who has taken the lead in this great question."

The first voice raised against rate legislation was that of Mr. Call, of Massachusetts, who maintained that it was incompatible with the fundamental principles of private property. The granting of authority to the Interstate Commerce Commission to fix rates, he said, was crossing the line between regulation and confiscation in a manner that outraged the most patent principles of justice, and he inquired if any one could imagine a more ideal method for destruction of private property and one more likely to corrupt the American people. The powers vested by the bill, he said, were too vast and dangerous to be wielded by any political government and were likely to lead to the destruction of cities and to give the ownership of railroads over the pathway of confiscation to government ownership. The very air, he said, vibrated with the demands of an aroused public appetite, "but who imagines," he inquired, "that the Supreme Court of the United States will stand between the national government and its victim?" He declared immediately afterward that unfortunately there was a disposition on the part of the courts to uphold the policy of the party in power.

The expressions of Mr. McCall met with condemnation at the hands of Mr. Lamar, of Florida, who charged that Mr. McCall's views were those of the most complete reactionaries of the government against regulating the railways.

Mr. McCall he said, had spoken in scarcely anything but vile contempt for the voice of the people when he asserted that they did not know what they wanted.

Discussing the proposition itself, Mr. Lamar claimed for W. J. Bryan and the Democratic party the credit for first stirring the people to action. Had not President Roosevelt thrown the question of regulating freight rates into Congress like a bombshell, he asserted, the House would have sat for twenty years to come without action upon it. Mr. Lamar, who was speaking of the Hearst bill, was interrupted by Mr. Sullivan, of Massachusetts, with an inquiry as to why Mr. Hearst did not adjust his own bill, remarking at the same time, that he failed to note any elucidation of it. Mr. Lamar tartly replied that he was unable to furnish elucidation and comprehension at the same time. Immediately thereafter Mr. Lamar was forced to admit in answer to Mr. Williams that neither himself nor his minority colleagues on the Interstate and foreign commerce committee at any of its conferences had proposed to put private car lines in the bill they were trying to report.

Brief speeches were made by a number of other representatives in support of the bill, and the House adjourned.

STATEHOOD BILL PASSED.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—After a continuous sitting of almost nine hours the Senate at 8:45 o'clock to-night passed the joint Statehood bill. As passed the bill provides for the admission of the States of Oklahoma, to be composed of Oklahoma and Indian Territory, New Mexico, according to its present boundaries, with Arizona eliminated. The bill originated in the House and will go back there for a conference.

The German cruiser Panther, of the German Carribean Sea squadron arrived at Newport News yesterday and will be overhauled and repaired at the ship yard there. The Panther in company with three other ships of the German fleet in American waters was in Newport News last year for similar repairs. At that time many courtesies were shown to the German officers by local commercial bodies.

SITUATION IN RUSSIA.

Outlook Ominous in Many Cities—Assassination and Killings on All Sides. Procurator's Assassin.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 8, 12:15 A. M.—For the moment the startling crime in Helsingfors has withdrawn attention from the strike situation throughout Russia. To day's events in Poland and the Caucasus, however, are quite serious enough in themselves. Disorders in the small industrial towns of Poland have added more than a score to the total of the killing and troops have been sent to Warsaw and Kutno to quell uprisings.

The war never has been, in the full lest sense of the word, popular. The present distress and discontent of the working class and the general desire for reform evinced by the upper class may develop a strong peace movement with which the government may have to reckon; but on the other hand, it is generally admitted that if peace should be concluded under disadvantageous conditions it would materially strengthen the enemies of the present government, which will not fail to keep this fact in sight and hope that some means may be found of reaching an adjustment satisfactory to Russia and Japan. This lays special importance on the mission entrusted to M. Admabaza, director of the committee of the Far East, who is believed to have gone hither in order to report to the Emperor the possibility of reaching a compromise with Japan without material prejudice to Russia's interest.

ASSASSIN IDENTIFIED.

HELSINFORS, FINLAND, Feb. 7.—The assassin of Soisoition Soiones, procurator general of Finland, who was shot and killed yesterday at his residence by a young man dressed in an officer's uniform, has been identified as Karl Lenard Hohnthal, formerly a student at the Imperial Alexander University here, Hohnthal, who lately had lived in Stockholm, returned to Finland January 13th. He maintains obstinate silence under examination.

SITUATION CRITICAL.

WARSAW, RUSSIAN POLAND, Feb 7.—According to a report from Radom, twenty workmen have been killed or wounded in strike disorders there today while at Skarzysko twenty four have been killed and forty wounded. Grave trouble is also reported at Kutno to day. Troops have been sent to Kutno from here.

Several men were killed here to day by strikers in bakeries and elsewhere, where attempts were made to resume work. Many arrests have been made. The prices of provisions have gone up. The peasants are afraid to bring in their products and the strikers to-day attempted to bring out the employees of the electrical plant of the asylum for the lunatics, but the doctors succeeded in pacifying the men.

LODZ, RUSSIAN POLAND, Feb. 7.—The factories were opened to-day, but scarcely any of the workmen appeared. At one factory the men worked until lunch time and then left and refused to return, saying they did not want to be killed by a bullet from the street fired through the door. The situation appears to be growing worse and a critical time is expected Feb. 9th, the date on which the largest manufacturers have decided to pay their employes the balance of their wages, dismiss them and shut up the mills indefinitely. The strikers are becoming more aggressive. This morning they forcibly entered a mill and destroyed the machinery.

GROWING WORSE.

BATOUM, CAUCASIA, Feb. 7.—The strike situation here is growing worse. Business is practically at a standstill, although some steamers have succeeded in getting away. Food is becoming more scarce. The military governor has issued a proclamation warning the inhabitants against assembling in crowds.

MRS. DUKE DISCHARGED.

Texas Authorities Did Not Want Her—Injustice to the Woman.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Mrs. Alice Webb Duke was discharged from custody when arraigned in the police court to-day after having been held a prisoner at the request of the authorities of Nacogdoches county, Texas, who had notified the local authorities that they had an indictment against her. An assistant district attorney told the court to-day that the Texas authorities did not insist that Mrs. Duke be held for extradition.

Mrs. Duke had been indicted on a charge of obtaining $3,000 from E. A. Blount, president of the Commercial National Bank of Nacogdoches, by false pretences in connection with a tobacco farm at Redfield, Texas. She had been held a prisoner for fifteen days. Her arrest followed the liberation of her husband, Brodie L. Duke, from a sanitarium, to which he had been committed on complaint of his son, pending an inquiry as to his sanity. Mr. Duke is a member of the Duke family of tobacco manufacturers. When Mrs. Duke was arraigned to-day, a letter was read from District Attorney Imbodeo, of Texas, saying that he was not advised that requisition papers had been issued and would not ask that she be held any longer.

"You fellows in the district attorney's office have been dancing to the tune of these fellows in Texas who have simply been trifling with you," said Magistrate Pool. Mrs. Duke was then discharged.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Charles E. Taylor, business partner of Mrs. Alice Webb-Duke, was arraigned in court to day, charged with swindling E. A. Blount, of Nacogdoches, Texas, out of $3,000. Pending the arrival of officers from Nacogdoches the case, at the request of the police, was continued until February 14th.

CO-EDUCATION OF THE RACES.

Kentucky Law Prohibiting It to be Carried to Supreme Court.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 7.—The first criminal prosecution under the recently adopted state bill prohibiting the co-education of the races in Kentucky, is on at Richmond and the whole State is watching its progress because the constitutionality of the bill is involved. Judge Benton at Richmond, Ky., today overruled the demurrer of Berea College to an indictment charging a violation of the law by enrolling white and colored students at the present terms. The court holds the law valid. The case will now go to trial of the question of fact which is practically admitted by the college. The penalty fixed is a fine of $1,000.

The college is represented by John G. Carlisle, of New York city, Guy Mallon, Cincinnati, and Curtis F. Burnam, of Richmond. The case will probably go to the Supreme Court of the United States.

TALK OF PEACE IN THE FAR EAST.

Sentiment in Russia Favors France Instead of United States as Mediator.

RUSSIA DETERMINED TO WAR.

Government Proposes to Fight to Bitter End, But the Press and Public Opinion See No Hope of Victory—News from Seat of War.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 7, 11:30 P. M.—The renewed peace talk finds not the slightest echo in official and diplomatic circles at St. Petersburg where Emperor Nicholas "oft-repeated declaration that the war must be carried to a satisfactory conclusion remains the keynote of the situation. The prevailing opinion among diplomats in St. Petersburg" is that Japan and Russia would choose France rather than the United States when the time arrives to discuss terms of peace. It is difficult if not impossible to tell when this time will come.

The present current of the press and public opinion in Russia appears to be setting towards peace. The newspapers no longer proclaim the necessity of continuing the war at all costs. Articles appearing in the Russ and the Movoe Vremya over the signatures of well know war correspondents who have just returned from Manchuria criticise the conduct of operations there in unmeasured terms while these papers editorially declare that hopes of victory are remote.

WE DEMAND THE OPEN DOOR.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—In view of the revival of reports from European capitals to the effect that there has been a renewal of the efforts on the part of the powers to find some basis for intervention in the interest of peace in the far east, inquiry has been made here in official circles to ascertain the position of this government respecting such a movement. The State Department has made no overtures recently to either of the interested powers nor does it know officially of any such movement in Europe. The position of this government has not changed in any respect and it would welcome a settlement of the present disastrous conflict either by means of direct negotiations between the belligerent powers or through the medium of an international conference. But no matter which course is followed in arranging the terms of peace, the one point upon which the United States government will insist is that both Russia and Japan shall, in the settlement, live up to the terms of the undertaking to which both of them have subscribed, that the integrity of China shall be respected and the equal right of all powers in China be recognized, including distinctly "the open door."

BOLD RUSSIAN EXPLOIT.

TSINKETCAEN, Feb. 7, (delayed in transmission.)—A detachment of scouts and a company under command of Prince Magaloff carried out a daring raid beyond the Taitse river on the night of February 4. They attacked the Japanese post at Lagoonadize. The scouts bayonetted the Japanese pickets and then entered the village and bayonetted the garrison. The Japanese were panic-stricken; straw signal fires were lighted in all directions, strong reinforcements came up and the scouts, without firing a shot retreated. They were supported energetically by the company which was belated by the difficulty of crossing the Taitse river. The Russians returned without loss bringing in one prisoner. The Japanese lost more than fifty killed.

TOLSTOI WOUNDED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 8, 12:15 A.M.—Count Andre Tolstoi has returned from Manchuria, where he received a wound in the head and was decorated with the cross of St. George. He is the eldest son of his father, Count Leo Tolstoi, at Yasnaaya Polkan. He intends to make an examination for a commission and return to the Far East.

WARM WIRELETS.

With a blizzard raging in north and east Texas and rain and sleet falling in many districts in Louisiana, Mississippi and Tennessee, weather conditions last night were decidedly worse than at any time since the present storm began. A blizzard has been sweeping over the cattle ranges of Texas for two days and last night showed no signs of abatement. Thousands of cattle are perishing.

The constitution and by-laws of the Southern Cotton Association recently organized in New Orleans, will be given to the public by the sub-committee of the executive committee which met yesterday in Atlanta. The work of the committee yesterday was merely that of deliberation and discussion of various clauses of the constitution. The sub committee is composed of John McMartin of Fort Gibson, Miss., chairman; J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, N. C.; E. D. Smith, of Magnolia, S. C., H. D. Cooke, of Luverne, Ala., and J. H. Connell, of Dallas, Texas. President Harvie Jordan and Secretary Richard Cheatham, of the Southern Cotton Association, were presented during the deliberations of the committee.

Board of Audit and Finance.

Nothing of interest transpired at last night's regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Audit and Finance. Mr. C. W. Yates presided in the absence of Chairman H. C. McQueen, and other members present were Messrs. Jesse Wilder and J. A. Orrell. Award of the contract to M. F. Costen for building the new stack to the Academy heating plant was concurred in and a large number of bills for current expenses were examined and approved. Alderman F. E. Hashagan, chairman of the Light Committee, appeared before the Board and made an explanation of a bill for the installation of certain additional lights, after which the bill was approved.

— Among yesterday's arrivals was Mr. J. P. Williams, of Vineland, N. C.

The "Light House" for an oyster roast! Everything new. Electric lights. Cheerful open fires. Last car leaves Wrightsville at 10:30 P. M.; heated, closed cars. The 3 o'clock car from town comes back as far as the Light House at 4:30 P. M. to give you an opportunity to get an oyster roast as well as visit the ice ocean.

CRAFTERS FOR THE PENITENTIARY.

Machen and the Groffs Leave Washington to Serve Their Sentences.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—August W. Machen, the former head of the free delivery system of the post office and the foremost figure among the officials, politicians and contractors indicted as a result of postal investigations, and Dilier B. Groff and Samuel A. Groff, both of this city, convicted in connection with the promotion of a letter box fastener scheme, left Washington with a party of eleven other convicts for the Moundsville, W. Va., penitentiary shortly after 6 o'clock to-night to serve a sentence of two years imprisonment. The three prisoners who had surrendered to the United States marshal early in the day, spent part of the afternoon in the jail here and were taken from there to the Baltimore and Ohio railroad depot in a carriage accompanied by a guard. The men were placed in a special car which was attached to the regular night train for the West. All three were handcuffed.

Mr. Machen, in an interview with the Associated Press just before he left, said: "I have made a good fight and was courageous to the last; I am now facing the inevitable and will take the consequences with bravery, fortitude and philosophy. I expect to be in Moundsville for twenty months, reducing the two years sentence to this time by good behavior. I have no intention at this time of asking for a pardon. I wish to thank all my friends who have stood by me and believe in me in this trouble. I am innocent; my friends know that I am innocent; and time will show that the man who put me here will have to answer for what he has done."

Mr. Machen said that he had spent all of his money in his defence. He said that to liquidate the $10,000 fine which he was sentenced to pay he would take the oath of insolvency and spend one more month in the penitentiary.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith.

Dr. Henry Louis Smith, the gifted president of Davidson College, returned home yesterday after a brief visit to the city, during which he was the guest of Mr. W. H. Sprunt. Sunday morning Dr. Smith spoke with good effect upon "Christian Education" at Saint Andrew's Presbyterian church; Sunday afternoon he delivered a capital address to men of the city at the Y. M. C. A.; Sunday evening he conducted the service at the First Presbyterian church, and Monday night he delivered an address to Col. Walker Taylor's Boys' Brigade in their armory in Immanuel Presbyterian church building, having remained over especially for the latter appointment. Mr. W. H. Sprunt and George Rountree, Esq., also spoke briefly to the boys of the Brigade upon the occasion of Dr. Smith's address Monday evening.

Funeral of Mr. Whitehead.

In the presence of a large number of friends the funeral of the late William Alexander Whitehead was conducted at 11 o'clock yesterday morning from the First Presbyterian church, the Rev. J. M. Wells, Ph. D., pastor of the congregation, officiating. The remains were laid to rest in Oakdale cemetery, the honorary escort having been composed of Dr. L. H. Love and Messrs. R. W. Hicks, H. McL. Green, Jas. H. Chadbourn, M. J. Heyer, N. B. Rankin, Oscar Pearsall, Lee Holmes and J. S. Hooper. The active pallbearers were: Col. Walker Taylor and Messrs. John D. Bellamy, Jr., J. C. Shepard, W. M. Cumming, J. Victor Grainger, F. W. Dick, B. O. Stone and Sol Sternberger.

High School Thespians.

Amateur theatrical talent of the Wilmington High School has been organized under the management of Messrs. R. C. James and Thos. Wood to present the two act comedy drama, "Mr. Bob," in the Tileston Hall, of the High School building, on the evening of Feb. 24th, for the benefit of the High School Athletic Association. It promises to be a very successful production as rehearsals are progressing fine quite satisfactorily. Tickets are on sale at the drug stores and other public places in the city.

Cargo Salt Just Arrived

Schooner John R. Fell arrived to-day, Saturday with

10,000 BAGS OF 100 POUND WHITE COTTON SALT

We will begin to discharge same Monday, the 9th inst., and all orders will be shipped promptly. The Schooner C. C. Lister with

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ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

Annual Congregational Meeting Held Last Night—Officers Elected and Reports.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church was held last night in the Luther Memorial Building, Sixth and Princess streets. Rev. W. A. Snyder, the popular pastor of the congregation, presided and Mr. H. L. Vollers, the clerk, kept a record of the proceedings. The business was largely routine. The following officers were elected:

Elder—L. Hanson.
Deacons—J. W. Duls and J. H. Dreher.
Trustees—J. H. Rehder, M. G. Tiencken and C. W. Polvogt.
Delegate to North Carolina Synod—M. G. Tiencken; alternate, J. H. Rehder.

The several annual reports submitted at the meeting showed a good year's work and the outlook is very favorable. The reports were by the pastor, the treasurer, the deacons and Mr. F. A. Bissenger, the retiring superintendent of the Sunday School. The new superintendent of the school is Mr. H. F. Olsen. Rev. Mr. Snyder already has a firm hold upon his congregation and is doing a good work. He is pleased with Wilmington and Wilmington people and that feeling is mutual.

On pleasant days there is no better place to spend an hour or two than the beach. The 10 o'clock car lays over in the beach an hour and three quarters. The 3 o'clock car lays over an hour and one quarter.

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Wanted—Lady or gentleman of fair education to travel for a firm of $250,000 capital. Salary $1 07½ per year and expenses; paid weekly. Address M. Percival, Wilmington, N. C. feb 8 1t

Ninety minutes of laughter and good singing. Douglas Leftwich will give an evening with the "Old Time Darkey" in lecture room of First Baptist Church Thursday evening February 9th, 8 P. M., under auspices of "Helping Hand" Bible class. Admission 25 cents to all. feb 8 2t

Wanted—Position as office boy, assistant bookkeeper or clerk. Good reliable experience and best reference. H. J., care of STAR. fe 8 3 t

Position wanted as clerk or collector in grocery store, 10 years experience. Good reference if needed. Address P, care of STAR. feb 8 3 t

A Rare opportunity now in (new) Wilmington space for four houses on corner north of Market street, near A. C. L. property. Never a vacant house in that location. $1,180 cash will pay for all the space. Call on M. C. Darby & Co., 114½ Princess street, the prompt remitting real estate agents. feb 5 tf

Bargains—A few second hand Impractical Invisible Bind Typewriters that have been superseded by the Oliver, The Standard Visible writer. Either or sale cheap or will rent reasonably. Jno. M. Harder, Salesman, Oliver Typewriter, Box 319. feb 2 1w

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Call on A. S. Winstead for Oranges, Apples, Bananas, Irish Potatoes, and all kinds of country produce. A. S. Winstead, 215 Market street. Bell 'Phone 203. dec 22 tf

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ANNUAL REPORT

TO THE NORTH CAROLINA CORPORATION Commission of the North Carolina Home Building Association, of Wilmington, North Carolina, for the year ending December 31st, 1904:

ASSETS.

Loans on bond and mortgage (face value)	$38 810 00
Loans on other securities	14,585 73
Cash on hand and in bank	1 484 31
Furniture and fixtures	42 07
Total	$72,193 13

LIABILITIES.

Due shareholders due installments paid	$63 681 73
" " earnings credited	2 191 42
Borrowed money	1,3 0 00
Surplus	5 019 98
Total	$72 69 13

Report for the year ending December, 31, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand January 1-t, 1904	$ 907 68
Subscriptions on shares	39,389 51
Mortgages redeemed (in whole or in part	63 251 00
Other loans red eemed	1 907 50
Interest received	4,479 00
Fines received	47 95
Withdrawals	178 00
Transfer	4 00
Initiations	335 75
Bills payable	9,700 00
General P. and L. Cash over	13
Total	$ 20,595 33

DISBURSEMENTS.

Loaned on mortgage	$ 54,900 00
" other securities	14,585 73
Paid on withdrawals	83,9 6 88
" " dividends (Prem.)	1 45 77
Salaries	6 0 00
Advertising and printing	47 85
Interest paid	217 84
Commission and agent's Certificate	5 50
State Tax	53 66
County Tax	130 61
Bills Payable	13 5 6 66
Cash on hand	1,484 31
Total	$20,595 33

FRANK H. STEDMAN,
Secretary and Treasurer.

In conformity with law, I hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the statement of the North Caroli a Home Building Association, Wilmington, on December 31st, 1904, now on file in the office of the North Carolina Corporation Commission.

This the 4th day of February, 1905.

FRANKLIN McNEILL, Chairman.
H. C. BROWN, Clerk. feb 8 1t

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Fruits of the Loom Bleaching 7c. Only 10 yards to customer.

6c Aprons Ginghams 4½c.
10c Dress Ginghams 7c.
12½c Dress Ginghams 10c.
8c Curtain Screen 6c.
12½c Outings 9c yard.
50c Skirtings 38c.

25 and 39c Hamburgs and Insertions 10c yard. Only 5 yards to customer. See window display.

5c Valenciennes Laces 3c yard.
5c Torchon " 3c "
10c Laces 5c

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15c Huck Towels 10c.
25c Linen Towels 19c.
8c Towels 4c.

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$1.25 Blankets, full size, 98c.
$1.50 Quilts, full size, $1.19.
75c Blankets, 59c.
65c Boys' Pants, 48c pair.
Men's Overalls, 65c value, 49c.
$1.00 Overalls, this sale, 75c.
$12 50 Men's Suits Clothes, all colors, $9.98.
$1.25, $1.50 Men's Pants, 98c.
Heavy Shirts and Drawers, 50c kind, this sale, 38c.
Ladies' heavy Vests 50c values, this sale 39c.
25c Shirts, 15c.
12 piece Toilet Sets, $7 values, this sale, $5 48.
12 piece Toilet Sets, $6 values, this sale, $4.98.
No cards punched this sale.
35c Enameled Wash Pans, 25c.
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Quart Tin Buckets, 4c.
Half Gallon Tin Buckets, 5c.
50c Fancy Lamps, 39c.
75c Fancy Lamps, 59c.
$1 25 Fancy Lamps, 98c
Water Bottles, 10c.
25c Glass Vases, 10c each.
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25c Matting, 19c yard.
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OF THE NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON ENGLAND

CONDITION DECEMBER 31ST, 1904, AS SHOWN BY STATEMENT FILED.

Statutory Deposit	$ 900 000 0
Amount Ledger Assets Dec. 31st of previous year	5,508,431 46
Income — From Policy-holders	$4,123 964 71; Miscellaneous, $1,0-; 130 46; Total	4,755 095 19
Disbursements—To Policy holders, $1,571, 12 91; Miscellaneous, $1,641, 257 49; Total	4,993 081 40
For Banks—Written or renewed during year, $260,327,633 16; in force 301 874,130 00	

ASSETS.

Book Value of Bonds and Stocks	$,427,383 75
Cash in Home office and deposited in Banks	480,930 19
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1904	548 965 49
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to Oct. 1, 19 4	9 375 41
Interest and Rents, due and accrued	68 330 37
Cash in banks of Trustees	750 15
All other Assets detailed in statement	3 571 45
Total	$ 5,530,828 32
Less assets, not admitted	49 191 46
Total admitted Assets	$ 5,481 643 86

LIABILITIES.

Losses and claims unpaid	$ 783 011 11
Unearned Premiums	3,146 893 84
All other Liabilities as detailed in statement	99,048 43
Total liabilities as to policyholders	$ 3,831 853 38
Statutory Deposit	900,000 00
Surplus	2,747 787 98
Total Liabilities	$ 5,481,641 36

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1904.

Fire Risks written, $3,533 692 00; Premiums received, $17,211 69.

Losses incurred—Fire, $12,013 43; Paid, $12,-230 75

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Branch Manager for North Carolina, M. O. Seldin, Baltimore, Md

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,
INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,
RALEIGH, N. C., Feb. 2nd, 1905.

I, JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the North British and Mercantile Insurance Company, of England, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1904.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and date above written.

JAMES R. YOUNG,
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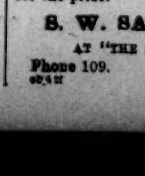

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